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Assignee Name and Address:						
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SIGNATURE of Assignee of Record The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee						
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	 the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or an assignee of an undivided part interest 					
	in the patent identified above by virtue of:					
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The undersigned is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

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